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Dear Chairs of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee:

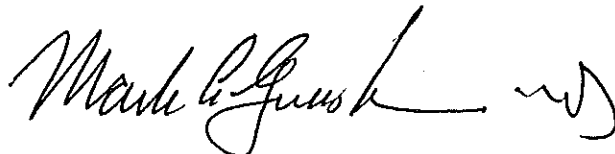
On behalf of the ~~State Interagency~~ Coordinating Council, we are writing in support of Raised Bill #205, An Act Concerning Insurance Coverage for the Birth to Three Program.

This Bill addresses two critical issues for the Birth to Three Program:

1. The federal government requires maintaining a consistent level of state funding in order to capture federal funding, and
2. The Bill will now allow the state to count all Birth to Three insurance revenue toward the state funding of the Birth to Three program.

In light of the fact that the current biennial budget has already reduced state funding in anticipation of increased insurance revenue, this legislation will allow us to count those insurance revenues, thus avoiding a significant federal financial penalty.

We applaud your ongoing support of the Connecticut Birth to Three program and our efforts to provide quality early intervention for Connecticut families.



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